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# **WNV Danger to Pets Minimal**

It is very unlikely for healthy dogs or cats to become ill with this virus. Pet owners should do the same things that they should do to protect themselves and family members: eliminate mosquito habitat and avoid mosquito exposure. Private veterinarians may also be consulted for recommendations on safe, effective mosquito repellents that may be used on pets.

DEET-containing products are not approved for pets and should not be used. It is very important not to use human insect repellent on your animal as it may cause poisoning.

If pets are infected, there is no evidence the disease is passed from animals to humans. You should take the precautions to prevent mosquitoes, keep animals inside and make sure screens and other openings to your home are in good repair.

For more information, click on the link below:

**UC Davis Veterinary School** 

# Communicable Disease **Prevention** <u>Flu</u> **SARS** Pertussis - Whooping Cough West Nile Virus **Public Health Lab Bioterrorism Preparedness**

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